



Emmanuel



Emmanuel United Methodist Church

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September 2022

Happening at Emmanuel in September 2022

Sunday September 4 - 10 am Worship and Sunday School

Sunday September 11 - 10 am Worship and Sunday School

Wednesday September 14 - 6:30 pm Trustee meeting

Sunday September 20 - 10 am Worship and Sunday School

Tuesday September 22 - 6:30 pm Administrative Board Meeting

Sunday September 27 - 10 am Worship and Sunday School

Church Parking Lot Picnic and Worship

Sunday September 11

10 AM - Noon

The Church Picnic will be held on **Sunday September 11** in the church parking lot. We are in need of prize donations and luncheon items- please see the sign-up sheet on the 1st floor narthex Bulletin Board. Thank You and see you there!

Women's Autumn Fellowship

Saturday, September 24, 2022,

9:00 am - Noon.

Join us for a morning of a unique Bible study, fellowship, games and crafts. See the church bulletin board for more details and sign-up sheet.

Pastor's Corner

Our Great Salvation In Christ Jesus

As faithful Christians we have a great and wonderful salvation that is waiting for us. We cannot even begin to imagine how wonderful it's going to be. "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love Him" (1 Corinthians 2:9). We have "an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you" (1 Peter 1:4). "And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that does not fade away" (1 Peter 5:4).

God has planned for our salvation from the beginning of the world. "Of this salvation the prophets have inquired and searched carefully, who prophesied of the grace, that would come to you" (1 Peter 1:9-10). But we know more concerning our salvation than the people in the Old Testament did, because more details have been revealed to us in the New Testament. "By which have been given to us exceeding great and precious promises that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature" (2 Peter 1:4). Today we have "the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding" (Philippians 4:7).

We must not become complacent and neglect our salvation. We cannot afford to lose it. We are to, "work out your own salvation with fear and trembling" (Philippians 2:12). Any burden we now bear doesn't even begin to compare to our great salvation that is reserved for us. "For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory, while we do not look at things which are seen, but at things which are not seen" (2 Corinthians 4:17). "How shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed to us by those who heard Him" (Hebrews 2:3). We cannot afford to fail.

Paul says, "Therefore I endure all things for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory" (2 Timothy 2:10). Only those who are in Christ have access to this salvation. How does one get into Christ to have this great salvation? "For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ" (Galatians 3:27). Those of us who are in Christ must continue to diligently serve the Lord. We should serve the Lord with gladness and joy by obeying His every command for Jesus says, "My yoke is easy and My burden is light" (Matthew 10:30). In doing this we should "be even more diligent to make your call and election sure" (2 Peter 1:10). "Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering" (Hebrews 10:23). Jesus promises, "Be faithful until death and I will give you the crown of Life" (Revelation 2:10). Let's make going to heaven our number one priority in this life.

God Bless,

Pastor Mark

Reminder – Pastor Mark will available for conference or discussion in his church office and the sanctuary will be open every Friday from 10 AM to Noon!

Your Help Needed

We would like to **add a new "EMMANUEL'S KITCHEN" Recipe section to this newsletter**. Please send in any favorite recipes that you are willing to share. Email them to dtracy@ptd.net and use a subject line of "Recipe to Share" and we will publish one or two each month, sharing them with our church friends.

September Birthdays

September 14 – Lauren McKay

September 24 – Brad Hamilton

September Anniversaries

No known September anniversaries

Prayer Concerns for September

Judy Hamilton, Donna Knarr, Nancy O'Rourke, Carole and Glen Sanders,
Pat Tracy

Humor for September 2022

Get Well Soon!

A motorcycle cop was rushed to the hospital with an inflamed appendix. The doctors operated and advised him that all was well. However, the patrolman kept feeling something pulling at the hairs on his chest. Worried that it might be a second surgery that the doctors hadn't told him about, he finally got enough energy to pull his hospital gown down far enough so he could look at what was making him so uncomfortable.

Taped firmly across his hairy chest were three wide strips of adhesive tape, the ultra-sticky kind. Written in large letters was the sentence: "Get well soon! Luv, from the nurse you gave a ticket to last week!"



JUST AN EARWITNESS

In the café of a small town, three men were discussing the character of a gentleman from a neighboring town who had died several years before. They all agreed that the deceased gentleman had been selfish, disagreeable, miserly, mean and even cruel.

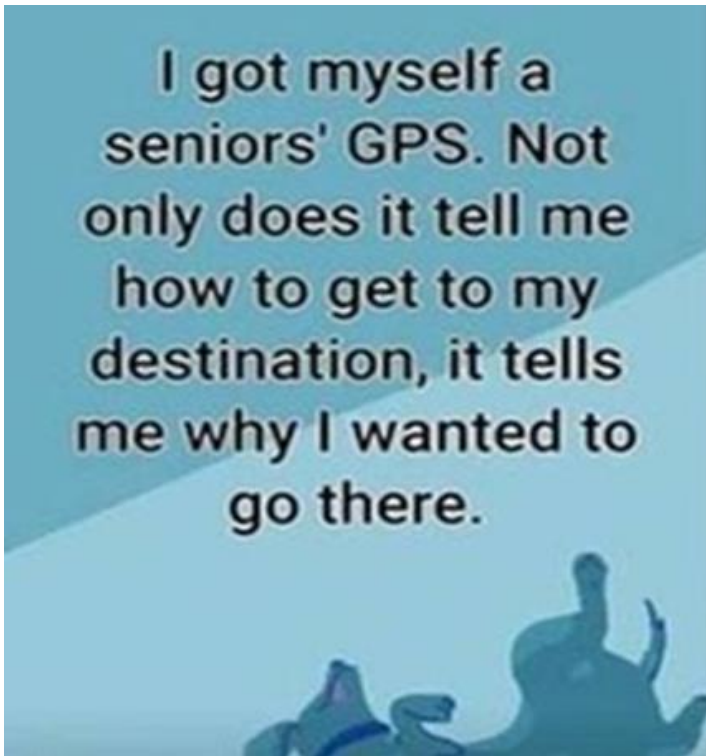
A stranger standing nearby overheard them and interrupted. "I believe you're wrong," he observed quietly. "The gentleman of whom you're speaking was kind, courteous, lovable, thoughtful, and generous."

"He was a friend of yours?" asked one of the men, rather embarrassed.

"Oh, no. I never met him."

"But if you never met him," protested the man, "how do you know he was such a splendid fellow?"

"I should know", replied the stranger, "I married his widow."



TESTING YOUR SPEECH

A tourist spending the night in a small Vermont town joined a group of men sitting quietly on the porch of the general store. After several vain attempts to start a conversation, he finally asked, "Is there a law against talking in this town?"

"No law against it," answered one Vermonter, "but there's an understanding that no one's to speak unless he's sure he can improve on silence."

For most people
when you lose your
"khakis" you've lost
your pants. When
you're from Boston &
lose your "khakis"
you can't start your
car.



That's All Folks!

Reminder - Newsletter Deadline— If you have articles **or humor items** for the September Newsletter be sure to email them to your newsletter editor, Dick Tracy, at dtracy@ptd.net or call or text him anytime at 610-207-2016 not later than Tuesday September 27th. **(Remember, if you don't send humor items, they you're stuck with my choices!)** **I am always looking for articles/photos stories or jokes/cartoons so PLEASE email Dick dtracy@ptd.net with anything you feel appropriate to share!**